## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE.

In re the Application of

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Appln. No.: 10/512,407 Exr. P. Shah

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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR CODING AND DECODING SPEECH

SIGNAL SUPERIMPOSED ON MUSIC OR ENVIRONMENTAL SOUND (as

amended)

## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 18, 2007, the Applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time and requests that the above-captioned application be amended as follows: